

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Sparer et al.

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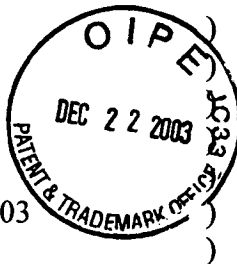
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For: ACTIVE AGENT DELIVERY SYSTEMS, MEDICAL DEVICES, AND
METHODS



PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified application for examination, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on the page entitled "Amendments to the Specification."

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on the page entitled "Amendments to the Claims."

Remarks begin on the page entitled "Remarks."